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Further information on 189/97 (ASA 21/43/97, 26 June 1997) and follow-ups (ASA 21/46/97, 4 July 1997; ASA 21/54/97, 22 July 1997) - Fear of torture

EAST TIMOR **Jose Antonio Belo**
Guilherme dos Santos
Manuel
Cesario or Mario da Costa
Gil da Costa

New information indicates that Jose Antonio Belo, one of the five men arrested after an alleged confrontation between the Indonesian Armed Forces and *Falantil,* the East Timorese Armed Resistance, on June 25 1997, is being held in military custody in Baucau. This has however not yet been confirmed by the authorities. Amnesty International continues to fear for his safety.

The fate of the other four men remains unclear.

FURTHER RECOMMENDED ACTION: Please send telegrams/faxes/express/ airmail letters in English or Bahasa Indonesia or your own language:

- urging the authorities to clarify the whereabouts of Jose Antonio Belo and the precise charges against him;
- seeking assurances that he be given access to members of his family, medical care and independent legal advisors;
- urging the authorities to clarify the fate of Guilherme dos Santos, Manuel, Cesario or Mario da Costa and Gil da Costa;
- seeking assurances that none of the five men will be subjected to torture or ill-treatment.

APPEALS TO:

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Salutation: **Dear Col Slamat Sidabutar**

Commander of Special Forces Command
Major General Muchdi P.R.
Panglima Kopassus
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Salutations: **Dear Major General Muchdi**

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and to diplomatic representatives of East Timor accredited to your country.

PLEASE SEND APPEALS IMMEDIATELY. Check with the International Secretariat, or your section office, if sending appeals after 1 May 1998.